

AMENDMENTS

Please amend Claims 1 and 14 as shown below.

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) An animal bed ~~encasing for enclosing cushioning core, the~~
~~encasing comprising an enclosure having~~ comprising a removable
encasing and a cushioning core;
said removable encasing having a top surface and a bottom surface,
a face textile with an exterior surface and an interior surface, and
an odor receiving layer permanently disposed on the interior surface of
the face textile in a configuration that covers at least the entire top surface
of the removable encasing; and
said cushioning core located adjacent to the odor receiving layer
permanently disposed on the interior surface of the face textile.

Claim 2 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 1, wherein said odor
receiving layer comprises an absorbing agent.

Claim 3 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 1, wherein said odor
receiving layer comprises an adsorbing agent.

Claim 4 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 3, wherein said odor
adsorbing agent comprises activated charcoal.

Claim 5 (Previously Amended) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 4, wherein
said activated charcoal has a about a 100 x 150 particle screened size,

and is distributed on the interior surface of the face textile at a rate of from about 1.5 ounces per square yard to about 3 ounces per square yard.

Claim 6 (Previously Amended) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 4, wherein said odor receiving layer includes an adhesive.

Claim 7 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 6, wherein said adhesive is a hot melt adhesive.

Claim 8 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 7, wherein said hot melt adhesive is a film securing the activated charcoal against the interior surface of said textile.

Claim 9 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 1, further including a backing material disposed adjacent to the odor adsorbing layer.

Claim 10 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 9, wherein said backing material comprises a backing textile.

Claim 11 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 10, wherein the backing textile comprises a point bonded nonwoven material.

Claim 12 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 9, wherein said backing material comprises a film.

Claim 13 (Original) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 1, wherein the film of said backing material comprises a low density polyester film.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended) ~~An animal bed encasing for enclosing cushioning core, the encasing comprising an enclosure having~~ comprising a removable encasing and a cushioning core; said removable encasing having a top surface and a bottom surface, a face textile with an exterior surface and

an interior surface, an odor receiving layer permanently disposed on the interior surface of the face textile in a configuration that covers at least the entire top surface of the removable encasing₇₁; said odor receiving layer including:

activated charcoal;

adhesive; and

a backing material disposed adjacent to the odor receiving layer₇₁;

and said cushioning core located adjacent to the odor receiving layer permanently disposed on the interior surface of the face textile.

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